

Murdock Power Plant

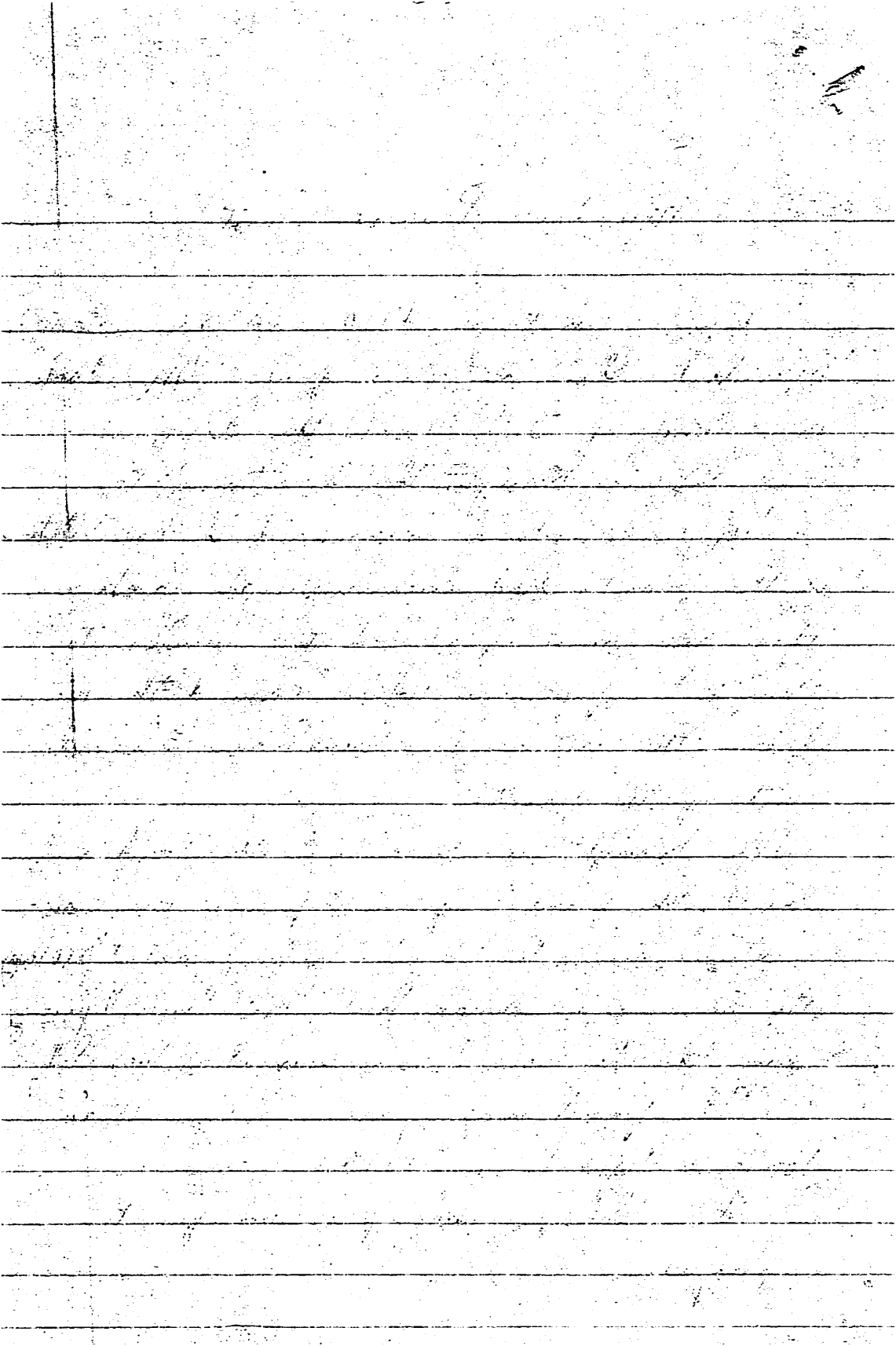
Was built in 1910 and was named Murdock Plant in honor of J. R. Murdock, a friend of S. S. Gunn the designer and Jessie Knight the investment Co.

Mrs. Murdock envisioned the possibilities of the plant, had encouraged its erection. His saw mill furnished the lumber to build the pipe line which carried the water from the intake on Brown River $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles east of the plant.

The Knight Co. purchased the land and built the plant to furnish power in conjunction with the Snake Creek Plant at Midway to mines in Snake Creek, Mill Creek, Mercury and the Ontario Drain Tunnel at Park City.

The plant was purchased by Utah Power & Light Co. in 1913.

Five homes were provided for the employees.



James & Nellie Bhune
Late

Wilford & Ruth Hansen

Harvey & Lucille Stone

Jack & Bertha Yeates

C. J. "Dick" & Sadie Miller

Franklin & Maude Foster

Ralph & Mahel Steed

Edward & Johmar Backman

Junius & Helen Garden

Rex & Leona Blackley

Emmett & Lucille Blackley

Wendell & Lina Duke

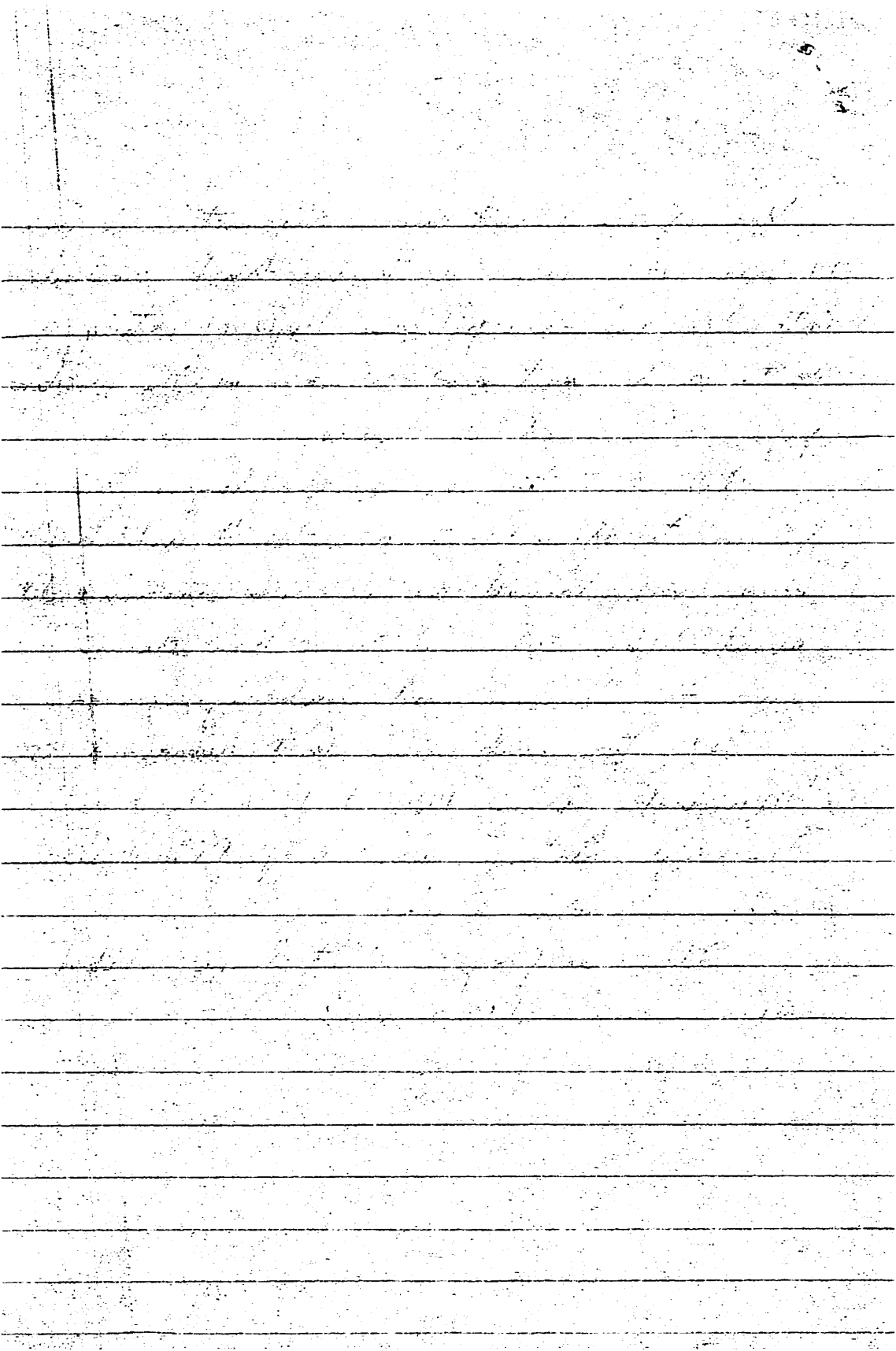
Richard & Hickmans
Harwood

Use of the plant was discontinued in 1944 or 1945 when a timber truck crashed into the wooden pipe. High operating costs and continual upkeep of the wooden pipe influenced its demise.

All but two of the employees transferred to other plants and the Murdock Plant was maintained as a sub-station until about 1960 when it was torn down and the houses and buildings moved.

The two employees that remained at Murdock from 1944 to 1960 to run the sub-station were C.G. Dick Miller and Wendell Duke.

Other employees that have worked there since 1933 are:



People who lived there in the homes
after the plant closed but were not
employees were Verlin & Dot Simmons
Samuel & Mary Hutchinson
Art & Ardyth Young
Bill Sweeney
Jack Sweeney

